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FIRST NEW YORK RECORD FOR CARABUS MAEANDER FISCHER (COLEOPTERA, CARABIDAE)

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ABSTRACT

Carabus maeander was found in large numbers in Clinton County, New York. Of the 23 specimens collected, 2 females had full wings. This is a new state record.

Lindroth (1961) gave the range of *Carabus maeander* Fischer in the United States from Minnesota to Maine. Adult specimens are herein reported from New York for the first time.

Twenty-three specimens were collected in Clinton County in the Peru area. Many beetles appeared each night from April 17th. through April 20th. (1976) in a crushed stone driveway and on an adjacent lawn, both of which were illuminated by a street light. The collection dates coincided with the first few extremely hot days of spring, however, the beetle did not reappear on subsequent nights, following low temperatures and a snowfall. Seventeen of the 20 specimens collected were examined for wing condition, and one female had full wings.

C. maeander was taken in pitfall traps in July, 1976 at two semi-open (Cornus spp.) collecting sites, one fully winged female on Valcour Island, Lake Champlain and two males in Valcour, New York, directly opposite the island.

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